

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Roger Webb, on March 31, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 303 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Roger Webb, Chair (R)
Sen. Duane Ankney, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)
Sen. Pat Connell (R)
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)
Sen. Mary McNally (D) (arrived after roll call)

Members Excused: Sen. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Sen. Llew Jones (R)
Sen. Bob Keenan (R)
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Sonja Nowakowski, Legislative Branch
Barbara Pietuch, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HJ 7, 3/19/2015

00:00:02 Chairman Webb

HEARING ON HJ 7

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:14 Rep. Tom Steenberg (D), HD 99, opened the hearing on HJ 7, Study next-generation 9-1-1.

00:03:52 Sen. McNally entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:28 Bonnie Lorang, general manager, Montana Independent Telecommunications Systems

00:05:45 Harold Blattie, executive director, Montana Association of Counties

00:06:15 Geoff Feiss, general manager, Montana Telecommunications Association (MTA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:08:21 Warren Dupuis, chief operations officer, State Information Technology Services Division, Department of Administration

00:08:49 Stu Kirkpatrick, state GIS coordinator, Montana State Library

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:09:51 Sen. Connell

00:10:42 Mr. Feiss, MTA

00:12:06 Chairman Webb

Closing by Sponsor:

00:13:55 Rep. Steenberg

Committee Business:

00:14:25 Chairman Webb

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:20 P.M.

Barbara Pietuch, Secretary

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